Annual Milk Production, Disposition & Income, 2002

IOWA: Milk production totaled 3,804 million pounds for 2002, up 0.5 percent from 2001. The average number of milk cows was 209 thousand head, down one thousand head from a year earlier. Production per cow was 18,201 pounds, up 177 pounds from 2001. The value of milk produced decreased to \$464 million from the 2001 value of \$556 million.

UNITED STATES: Milk production increased 3 percent in 2002 to 170 billion pounds. The rate per cow, at 18,571 pounds, was 412 pounds above 2001. The annual average number of cows on farms, at 9.14 million head, was 27,000 head more than 2001.

Cash receipts from marketings of milk during 2002, at \$20.5 billion, was 17 percent below 2001. Producer returns averaged \$12.19 per hundredweight, 19 percent below 2001. Marketings totaled 169 billion pounds, 3 percent above 2001. Marketings include whole milk sold to plants and dealers as well as milk sold directly to consumers.

An estimated 1.14 billion pounds of milk were used on farms where produced, 6 percent less than 2001. Calves were fed 86 percent of this milk, with the remainder consumed in producer households.

Milk Cows, Production, and Value of Production, 2001-2002

	Milk Cows 1		Milk Per Cow ²		Milk Production ²		Value of Milk Produced ^{3, 4}	
State	2001	2002	2001	2002	2001	2002	2001	2002
	Thousands		Pounds		Million pounds		1,000 Dollars	
California	1,589	1,647	20,904	21,180	33,217	34,884	4,630,450	3,816,310
Illinois	116	115	17,414	17,835	2,020	2,051	303,000	244,069
Iowa	210	209	18,024	18,201	3,785	3,804	556,395	464,088
Minnesota	510	487	17,278	17,368	8,812	8,458	1,312,988	1,023,418
Missouri	145	137	13,441	14,204	1,949	1,946	290,401	239,358
Wisconsin	1,292	1,271	17,182	17,367	22,199	22,074	3,285,452	2,693,028
U.S.	9,114	9,141	18,159	18,571	165,497	169,758	24,893,985	20,687,958

¹ Average number during year. Excludes heifers not yet fresh. ² Excludes milk sucked by calves. ³ Value at average returns per 100 pounds of milk in combined marketings of milk and cream. ⁴ Includes value of milk fed to calves.



May Milk Production

IOWA: Milk production in Iowa in May totaled 333 million pounds, down 2.3 percent from May 2002. The average number of milk cows, 203 thousand head, was 6,000 head below May 2002. Production per cow averaged 1,640 pounds, ten pounds higher than production levels one year ago.

UNITED STATES: Milk production in the 20 major States during May totaled 13.0 billion pounds, down 0.4 percent from May 2002. April revised production, at 12.6 billion pounds, was up 0.6 percent

from April 2002. The April revision represented a decrease of 0.2 percent or 30 million pounds from last month's preliminary production estimate. Production per cow in the 20 major States averaged 1,669 pounds for May, 9 pounds below May 2002. The number of milk cows on farms in the 20 major States was 7.79 million head, 17,000 head more than May 2002, but 12,000 head less than April 2003.

May Milk Cows and Milk Production

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	Milk c	ows ¹	Milk pe	r cow ²		Milk production	luction ²			
State	2002	2003	2002	2003	2002	2003	Change from 2002			
	Thousands		Pour	nds	Million pounds		Percent			
California	1,639	1,693	1,875	1,820	3,073	3,081	0.3			
Illinois	115	110	1,630	1,650	187	182	-2.7			
Iowa	209	203	1,630	1,640	341	333	-2.3			
Minnesota	490	475	1,540	1,545	755	734	-2.8			
Missouri	137	130	1,315	1,345	180	175	-2.8			
Wisconsin	1,272	1,257	1,525	1,535	1,940	1,929	-0.6			
20 State Total ³	7,769	7,786	1,678	1,669	13,039	12,992	-0.4			

¹ Includes dry cows. Excludes heifers not yet fresh. ² Excludes milk sucked by calves. ³ The 20 states are Arizona, California, Florida, Idaho, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kentucky, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, New Mexico, New York, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Texas, Vermont, Virginia, Washington, and Wisconsin.